

# REMARKS

This is a Supplementary Amendment to the Preliminary Amendment filed October 12, 1999 in conjunction with the filing of a Continuing Prosecution Application (CPA) of the above identified application on October 12, 1999.

In this Supplementary Preliminary Amendment Applicant clarifies the wording of new Claims 49-114, by deleting any indefiniteness with regard to alternative limitations, and positively recites the elements of the new Claims, to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the present application.

In all other respects, Applicant refers the Examiner back to the Preliminary Amendment of October 12, 1999. The previously amended Claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 10, 16, 19, 22-24, 28, 30, 31, 36, 45, 46 and 48 and the allowed Claims 4, 25-27, 29, 34, 35 and 37-43 remain unchanged.

Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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